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Employment Statistics

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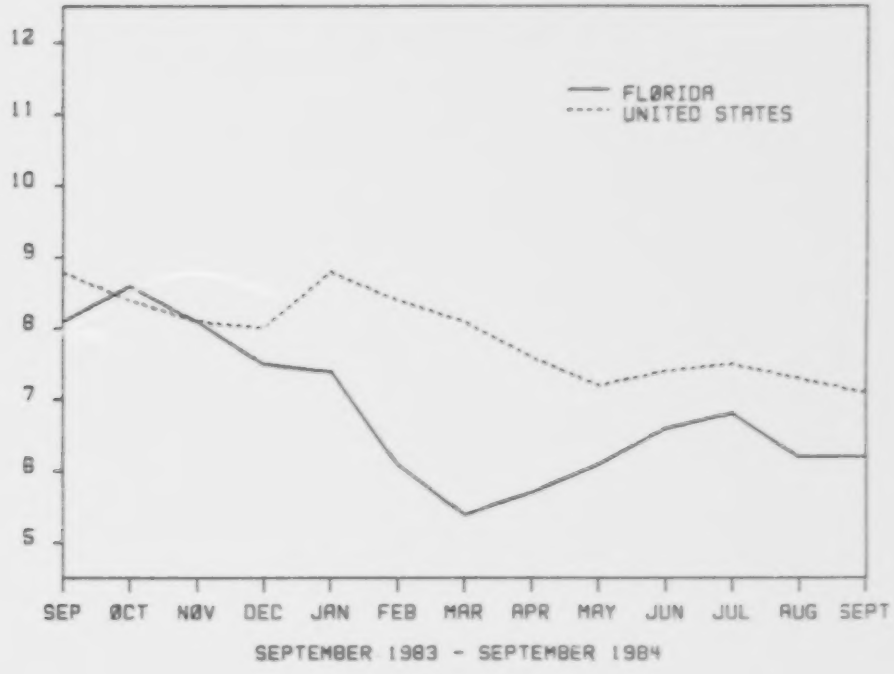
UNEMPLØYMENT RATES (UNADJUSTED)



SEPTEMBER 1983 - SEPTEMBER 1984

LABOR FORCE SUMMARY*

State of Florida	September 1984	August 1984	September 1983
Civilian Labor Force	5,184,200	5,166,000	5,101,100
Employment	4,865,100	4,846,200	4,685,700
Unemployment	319,100	319,800	415,400
Unemployment Rate	6.2	6.2	8.1

Note: Data are taken from the monthly results of the Current Population Survey (CPS) and are primarily for use in allocation of money under various federal programs. Data are not seasonally adjusted.

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NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT: Nonagricultural employment in Florida rose by 49,400 jobs in September to a total of 4,164,900. Most of the increase in September was in local government, due to the reopening of schools. Over-the-year employment has increased by 224,100 jobs, which represents an annual growth rate of 5.7 percent.

The construction industry's growth showed one of the smallest gains over-the-month since the beginning of the year. The gain of 500 jobs brings the September total to 312,300. Both general and special trade contractors dropped as heavy construction increased. Manufacturing was up 4,400 jobs in September, most of which occured in the nondurable goods categories. Trade began its usual seasonal increases in September rising 6,600 jobs to 1,114,200. Wholesale trade employment dropped 300 and retail trade was up 7,100.

Services gained 900 jobs in September. Hotels and other lodging places showed a significant drop (down 3,900) which was offset by a large increase of 4,200 jobs in educational services, due to the reopening of schools. Government, as is usual at this time of the year, was up 35,500. Most of this increase is on the local government level due to the beginning of the 1984-1985 school year.

Over the year increases were shown in all industries except mining and transportation. Construction continues to show the largest rate of increase followed by finance, manufacturing and trade. The rest of the major industries show annual increases of less than 5.0 percent.

Employment in Florida continues to grow but compared to the August - September 1983 increase, employment is growing at a smaller rate of increase.

LABOR MARKET TRENDS
A Labor Market Information Publication by the Florida Department of Labor and Employment Security

ESTIMATED EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL ESTABLISHMENTS
(Prepared in cooperation with the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics)

FLORIDA	Employment			Change to Current Month			
	September P 1984	August 1984	September 1983	Month Ago No.	Month Ago %	Year Ago No.	Year Ago %
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT/1	4,144,000	4,094,600	3,919,900	49,400	1.2	224,100	5.7
Manufacturing	503,100	498,700	472,100	4,400	0.9	31,000	6.6
Durable Goods	295,800	294,700	274,200	1,100	0.4	21,600	7.9
Lumber & Wood Products	25,700	25,700	24,700	0	0.0	1,000	4.0
Furniture & Fixtures	12,000	11,900	11,400	100	0.8	600	5.3
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	22,300	22,100	21,300	200	0.9	1,000	4.7
Primary Metal Industries	5,300	5,300	5,000	0	0.0	300	6.0
Fabricated Metal Products	33,500	33,700	32,800	- 200	- 0.6	700	2.1
Machinery, except Electrical	42,400	42,000	38,700	400	1.0	3,700	9.6
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	78,400	77,900	69,300	500	0.6	9,100	13.1
Transportation Equipment	54,200	53,900	50,500	300	0.6	3,700	7.3
Instruments & Related Products	13,300	13,200	12,200	100	0.8	1,100	9.0
Misc. Manufacturing Industries	8,700	9,000	8,300	- 300	- 3.3	400	4.8
Nondurable Goods	207,300	204,000	197,900	3,300	1.6	9,400	4.7
Food & Kindred Products	48,500	47,100	47,700	1,400	3.0	800	1.7
Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	11,900	11,200	11,700	700	6.3	200	1.7
Tobacco Manufacturers	2,100	2,100	2,100	0	0.0	0	0.0
Textile Mill Products	2,500	2,400	2,200	100	4.2	300	13.6
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	34,200	34,100	33,100	100	0.3	1,100	3.3
Paper & Allied Products	15,300	14,900	15,200	400	2.7	100	0.7
Printing & Publishing	53,600	52,600	50,100	1,000	1.9	3,500	7.0
Chemicals & Allied Products	28,600	28,400	26,200	200	1.7	2,400	9.2
Petroleum & Coal Products	1,800	1,900	1,800	- 100	- 5.3	0	0.0
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products	17,500	17,200	16,400	300	1.7	1,100	6.7
Leather & Leather Products	3,200	3,300	3,100	- 100	- 3.0	100	3.2
Mining	10,000	9,900	10,000	100	1.0	0	0.0
Nonmetallic Minerals (exc. Fuels)	8,600	8,500	8,700	100	1.2	- 100	- 1.1
Phosphate Rock	5,400	5,300	5,300	100	1.9	100	1.9
Construction	312,300	311,800	275,600	500	0.2	36,700	13.3
General Building Contractors	82,000	82,400	71,400	- 400	- 0.5	10,600	14.8
Heavy Construction Contractors	53,500	52,200	43,700	1,300	2.5	9,800	22.4
Special Trade Contractors	176,800	177,200	160,500	- 400	- 0.2	16,300	10.2
Transportation & Public Utilities, exc. U.S. Postal Service	230,200	230,200	231,000	0	0.0	- 800	- 0.3
Transportation	128,900	128,600	124,100	300	0.2	4,800	3.9
Railroad Transportation	9,100	9,100	9,000	0	0.0	100	1.1
Local & Interurban Passenger Transit	7,100	7,000	7,400	100	1.4	- 300	- 4.1
Trucking & Warehousing	41,900	42,000	40,500	- 100	- 0.2	1,400	3.5
Water Transportation	13,400	13,100	12,900	300	2.3	500	3.9
Transportation by Air	44,600	44,500	41,800	100	0.2	2,800	6.7
Communication, exc. U.S. Postal Service	68,800	68,800	74,900	0	0.0	- 6,100	- 8.1
Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Serv.	32,500	32,800	32,000	- 300	- 0.9	500	1.6

FLORIDA	Employment			Change to Current Month			
	September P 1984	August 1984	September 1983	Month Ago No.	Month Ago %	Year Ago No.	Year Ago %
Wholesale & Retail Trade	1,114,200	1,107,400	1,048,000	6,800	0.6	66,200	6.3
Wholesale Trade	232,100	232,400	222,700	- 300	-0.1	9,400	4.2
Wholesale Trade Durable Goods	143,300	144,100	135,900	- 800	-0.6	7,400	5.4
Wholesale Trade Nondurable Goods	88,800	88,300	86,800	500	0.6	2,000	2.3
Retail Trade	882,100	875,000	825,300	7,100	0.8	56,800	6.9
Building Materials & Garden Supplies & Mobile Home Dealers	37,100	37,100	36,300	0	0.0	800	2.2
General Merchandise Stores	111,000	108,200	105,500	2,800	2.6	5,500	5.2
Food Stores	152,400	150,100	143,200	2,300	1.5	9,200	6.4
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	98,100	97,600	91,300	500	0.5	6,800	7.4
Apparel & Accessory Stores	45,500	46,000	44,700	- 500	-1.1	800	1.8
Furniture & Home Furnishings	40,500	40,300	37,600	200	0.5	2.900	7.7
Eating & Drinking Places	302,800	301,400	276,300	1,400	0.5	26,500	9.6
Miscellaneous Retail	94,700	94,300	90,400	400	0.4	4,300	4.8
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	311,700	310,500	290,000	1,200	0.4	21,700	7.5
Banking	68,400	68,500	64,300	- 100	-0.1	4,100	6.4
Credit Agencies Other than Banks	53,400	53,300	48,300	100	0.2	5,100	10.6
Insurance Carriers	48,700	48,700	45,600	0	0.0	3,100	6.8
Insurance Agents, Brokers, & Service	28,900	28,500	26,000	400	1.4	2,900	11.2
Real Estate	91,900	91,100	86,800	800	0.9	5,100	5.9
Services /2	1,009,200	1,008,300	964,500	900	0.1	44,700	4.6
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	91,600	95,500	92,000	- 3,900	-4.1	- 400	- 0.4
Personal Services	48,800	49,000	48,400	- 200	-0.4	400	0.8
Business Services	192,100	192,300	177,800	- 200	-0.1	14,300	8.0
Auto Repair, Services, & Garages	40,300	39,500	36,800	800	2.0	3,500	9.5
Miscellaneous Repair Services	17,900	18,100	17,900	- 200	-1.1	0	0.0
Motion Pictures	6,800	6,800	6,900	0	0.0	- 100	- 1.4
Amusement & Recreation Services	65,200	65,000	65,400	200	0.3	- 200	- 0.3
Health Services	270,600	270,700	264,600	- 100	-0.0	6,000	2.3
Legal Services	39,200	39,200	34,900	0	0.0	4,300	12.3
Educational Services	43,600	39,400	41,500	4,200	10.7	2,100	5.1
Miscellaneous Services	57,700	57,500	50,700	200	0.3	7,000	13.8
Total Government	653,300	617,800	628,700	35,500	5.7	24,600	3.9
Total Federal Government	98,000	97,200	93,100	800	0.8	4,900	5.3
Total State Government	134,700	133,600	132,200	1,100	0.8	2,500	1.9
Total Local Government	420,600	387,000	403,400	33,600	8.7	17,200	4.3

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1/ All industries are classified according to the Standard Industrial Classification Manual, 1977. Estimates include all full-time and part-time wage and salaried workers who were employed during the pay period including the 12th of the month, with the exception of federal employment for the Department of Defense, which is on an end-of-the-month basis. Proprietors, self-employed persons, domestic workers and military personnel of the armed forces are excluded. All data are adjusted to the first quarter 1983 benchmark levels.

2/ Includes a miscellaneous group of agricultural service establishments and establishments elsewhere classified.

Average Hours and Earnings in Manufacturing Industries

FLORIDA	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Sept. 1984	August 1984*	Sept. 1983	Sept. 1984	August 1984*	Sept. 1983	Sept. 1984	August 1984*	Sept. 1983
MANUFACTURING	$318.89	$314.57	$301.25	41.2	40.8	40.6	$ 7.74	$ 7.71	$ 7.42
Durable Goods	332.48	330.17	313.66	42.3	41.9	41.6	7.86	7.88	7.54
Lumber & Wood Products	276.96	262.35	246.00	41.9	40.3	40.0	6.61	6.51	6.15
Furniture & Fixtures	248.25	239.07	228.91	40.3	39.0	39.4	6.16	6.13	5.81
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	366.21	362.44	342.55	45.1	44.2	44.6	8.12	8.20	7.68
Primary Metal Industries	385.42	386.75	321.36	42.4	42.5	41.2	9.09	9.10	7.80
Fabricated Metal Prod.	322.07	309.50	306.81	42.1	41.6	41.8	7.65	7.44	7.34
Machinery, except Electrical	343.62	341.94	332.98	41.5	41.7	42.8	8.28	8.20	7.78
Electric & Electronic Equipment	334.77	342.83	332.06	42.7	42.8	42.3	7.84	8.01	7.85
Transportation Equip.	400.95	399.16	372.93	42.7	42.6	39.8	9.39	9.37	9.37
Instruments & Related Products	309.57	321.03	308.51	40.1	41.0	41.3	7.72	7.83	7.47
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries	248.87	244.61	215.60	41.0	39.2	40.0	6.07	6.24	5.39
Nondurable Goods	302.44	295.86	287.96	39.9	39.5	39.5	7.58	7.49	7.29
Food & Kindred Prods.	271.17	272.28	279.54	39.3	40.1	42.1	6.90	6.79	6.64
Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	297.56	288.84	295.22	43.0	41.5	45.7	6.92	6.96	6.46
Tobacco Manufactures	252.34	258.37	276.86	37.0	36.7	40.3	6.82	7.04	6.87
Apparel & Other Textiles	181.28	173.75	164.70	35.2	35.1	34.6	5.15	4.95	4.76
Paper & Allied Prods.	517.33	516.35	495.11	45.3	44.9	46.1	11.42	11.50	10.74
Printing & Publishing	332.67	324.52	322.49	39.0	38.0	38.3	8.53	8.54	8.42
Chemicals & Allied Products	433.14	420.75	414.96	42.8	41.7	42.3	10.12	10.09	9.81
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products	237.11	229.61	201.24	42.8	41.9	36.0	5.54	5.48	5.59
NONMETALLIC MINERALS, EXCEPT FUELS	403.07	403.93	379.08	47.7	49.2	46.8	8.45	8.21	8.10
Phosphate Rock	439.12	432.10	405.66	44.0	44.5	42.3	9.98	9.71	9.59
COMMUNICATION	482.45	488.35	423.15	41.2	40.9	39.0	11.71	11.94	10.85
ELECTRIC, GAS & SANITARY SERVICES	465.72	458.81	446.84	42.3	41.9	41.8	11.01	10.95	10.69
BANKING	240.55	220.13	203.99	42.5	39.1	38.2	5.66	5.63	5.34

*Revised

These average earnings are computed on a "gross" basis and reflect changes in premium pay for overtime and late shift work as well as changes in basic hourly and incentive rates. Estimates are for all full-time production and related workers who are employed during the pay period including the 12th of the month.

Seasonally Adjusted
Nonagricultural Employment
Florida
(In Thousands)

Industry	September 1984 p	August 1984	September 1983
TOTAL	4,192.3	4,170.2	3,965.6
Mining	10.0	9.9	10.0
Construction	309.2	308.1	272.5
Manufacturing	506.4	505.4	475.2
Durable Goods	295.8	294.7	274.2
Nondurable Goods	210.9	209.9	201.4
Transportation, Communication, and Public Utilities	230.2	230.2	231.0
Trade	1,133.6	1,127.9	1,066.2
Wholesale	232.1	232.4	222.7
Retail	900.6	893.0	842.6
Eating and Drinking Places	312.6	309.8	285.2
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	311.7	310.5	290.0
Services	1,025.0	1,022.0	979.6
Hotels and Other Lodging Places	99.0	99.3	99.4
Health Services	270.6	270.7	264.6
Total Private	3,526.1	3,514.0	3,324.5
Government	666.2	656.2	641.1

p = preliminary.

Unemployment Compensation Activity
Florida

	September 1984	August 1984	September 1983
Initial Claims/1	27,769	34,413	30,780
Weeks Claimed/2	252,037	299,730	331,704
Total U.C. Payments	$21,245,537	$24,841,260	$25,604,795

1/ Regular State UI
2/ Total Intrastate + Internet

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